Sermon Notes *Hyper Grace* – Eph 2:6-7 May 4, 2025

I. Introduction

- a. clarify something from last week... sermons based on your behavior, good or bad, are not the gospel and they have no power... could be interpreted as behavior isn't important... not true, behavior is important... is true, gospel is not about behavior... but only way to change behavior is thru power of the gospel... behavior changes when righteousness of God is revealed in us... points people to God who did it... Matt 5:16... "let good deeds shine for all to see... glorify your Father in heaven..." 1Cor 10:31... "whatever you do... do everything for the glory of God..." 2Cor 3:18... "behold goodness of God... transformed into same image... by HS..." 1Cor 15:34... "awake to righteousness and sin not..." 2Cor 5:17-21... "He became sin... so we might become the righteousness of God..." dikaiosyne... integrity, virtue, purity; correct thinking, feeling, acting... Gal 6:9-10... "don't get tired of doing good... work for the good of all..." Eph 2:8-10... "by grace... created in Christ Jesus to do good works..." Col 3:17... "whatever you do... in word or in deed... do it in the name of Jesus..." 1Tim 5:25... "good deeds are obvious... good deeds done in secret will come to light..." 1Tim 6:18... "instruct them to do good... be rich in good works... be generous..." Titus 2:7-14... "make yourself an example of good works with integrity..." Titus 3:8... "to those who believe God... devote vourselves to good works..."
- b. how many have heard term hyper grace gospel... quick search will get ugly... don't let others or etp decide for vou... check mailbox for a letter... prav... Acts 17:11... "searched Scriptures daily to see if Paul was teaching truth..."

II. Hyper Grace

Hyper: abound beyond measure; overflow; transcend, surpass, exceed; possess in excess... **Grace:** joy, pleasure, delight, sweetness, loveliness; good will, loving-kindness, favor; kindness by God which turns people to Christ and keeps, strengthens, increases them in Christian faith, knowledge, affection, and causes them to exercise Christian virtues...

- a. majority of internet will tell you hyper grace is dangerous and unbiblical... is that true... easy to find out... all you need is a bible because <u>vou've got mail</u>... John 6:13... "filled 12 baskets with pieces that remained over and above..." 2Cor 9:8... "God is able to make all grace overflow... always having everything you need..." Rom 5:15... "how much more has the grace of God overflowed to the many..." Rom 5:17... "receive the overflow of grace..." perisseuo... exceed a fixed number of measure; be at hand in abundance; superabundantly: exceeding need; over and above; more than necessary; superadded; exceeding abundantly; much more than all; superior, extraordinary; more remarkable, more excellent...
- b. God's grace is even more than that... it's hyper... how much more do you want... Rom 5:9-17... "how much more... how much more... how much more..." Rom 5:20... "where sin multiplied... grace multiplied even more (hyperperisseuo)..." Eph 2:6-7... "display the immeasurable riches (hyperballo) of His grace..." 1Tim 1:14... "grace of our Lord was more than abundant (hyperpleonazo)..." hyper... abound beyond measure; exceedingly abundant; overflow; possess in excess...
- c. would you limit God's wisdom... or would you say He has it in abundance... God

- is as rich in grace as He is in wisdom... He abounds in it... He is hyper wise... Rom 11:33... "oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God..." Eph 1:7... "forgiveness... according to the <u>riches</u> of His grace..." **ploutos**... riches, wealth: abundance, fullness...
- d. you've got mail is about letters from Paul... but can we expand the envelope... Num 14:18... "the Lord is slow to anger and abounding in faithful love..." Psa 103:8... "the Lord is gracious... abounding in faithful love..." Isa 54:8... "with everlasting lovingkindness... I will have compassion on you..." Lam 3:32... "He will have compassion... according to His abundant lovingkindness..." Joel 2:13... "return to God... He is gracious... abounding in <u>faithful love</u>..." Jonah 4:2... "You are gracious... slow to anger... abounding in <u>faithful love</u>..." Zech 4:7... "mighty mountain, you shall become a plain... shout grace, grace to it..." checed... goodness, kindness, faithfulness; beauty, favor, mercy... John 1:16-17... "we have all received grace upon grace from His fullness..." James 4:6... "He gives greater (mega) grace... He gives grace to the humble..." 1Pet 1:2 AMP... "may grace be yours in increasing abundance..." 1Pet 4:10... "serve one another as good stewards of the varied grace of God..." 1Pet 5:10... "grace... will restore, establish, strengthen and support you..." 2Pet 3:18... "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior..."
- e. translate Greek NT into Hebrew... Hebrew word *checed* is used for grace... Exo 34:6... "the Lord abounds in lovingkindness and truth (cheed va emet)..." John 1:14... "the Word became flesh... full of grace and truth (checed va emet)..."
- f. difficult to understand true meaning of God's word in English... that's why we dig deeper... Greek, Hebrew, definitions, tenses, translations... grace is super abundant to the point of excess... Paul literally preaches hyper-super-grace... 1Tim 1:14 NKJV... "grace was exceedingly abundant... with faith and love..." TPT... "flooded with such incredible grace... like river overflowing its banks..." NASB... "the grace of our Lord was more than abundant..." AMP... "grace... His amazing unmerited favor and blessing... flowed in superabundance..." DBY... "grace... surpassingly over-abounded with faith and love... in Christ Jesus..."
- g. grace, especially hyper grace, leads to sin... is that biblical truth or etp... Rom 5:20-21... "grace reigns thru righteousness..." Rom 6:1-2... "shall we keep on sinning so grace may superabound... absolutely not..." Rom 6:14-15... "sin will not rule over you because you are not under the law but under grace... should we sin because we are not under the law, but under grace... absolutely not..." 1Cor 15:10-11... "I worked harder than any... yet not I, but grace within me..." Eph 2:8-10... "by grace... created for good works... that we should walk in them..." Titus 2:11-12... "grace instructs us to deny godless living and sinful pleasures..." Jude 1:4... "ungodly people... say grace allows us to live immoral lives..."
- h. Paul's letters show us just how biblical hyper grace is... haven't even talked about other examples of God's overwhelming grace... don't rely on etp or the internet to form your opinion on grace... just read your bible... pray... Gen 1:1... "in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth..." John 10:10... "I have come to bring you life... and life more abundantly..." Rom 5:8... "God proves His love... while we were sinners... Christ died for us..." 2Cor 5:19... "in Christ... God was no longer counting people's sins against them..." Eph 3:8... "grace given to me... proclaim incalculable riches of Christ..." Col 2:14-16... "He erased the certificate of debt... by nailing it to the cross..." Heb 4:16... "let us approach throne of grace... receive mercy and grace... in time of need..."